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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the Advisory Action mailed January 8, 1998, in connection with the above-captioned patent application, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered, without prejudice:

In the Claims:

Please rewrite claim 1 as indicated below:

1. (twice amended) A nucleic acid mimic in admixture with at least one target molecule selected from the group consisting of nucleic acids, transcription factors, carbohydrates

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application responsive to the Advisory Action dated January 8, 1998.

- ( ) Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ( ) A verified statement claiming small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ( ) Statement to Support Filing and Submission of DNA/Amino Acid Sequences in Accordance with 37 CFR §§ 1.821 through 1.825.
- (XX) No additional fee is required.

The fee for additional claims presented in this amendment has been calculated as follows:

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	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid for	No. Extra	Rate	Fee	<u>OR</u>	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	19	20 (at least 20)		x\$11=	\$	<u>OR</u>	x\$22=	\$
Indep. Claims	1	3 (at least 3)		x\$41=	\$	<u>OR</u>	x\$82=	\$
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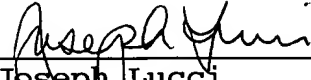
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- ( ) The issue fee set in 37 CFR 1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.311(b).
- (XX) Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 including fees for presentation of extra claims.

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